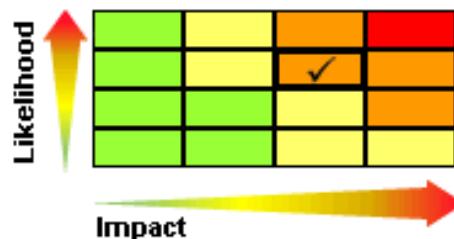
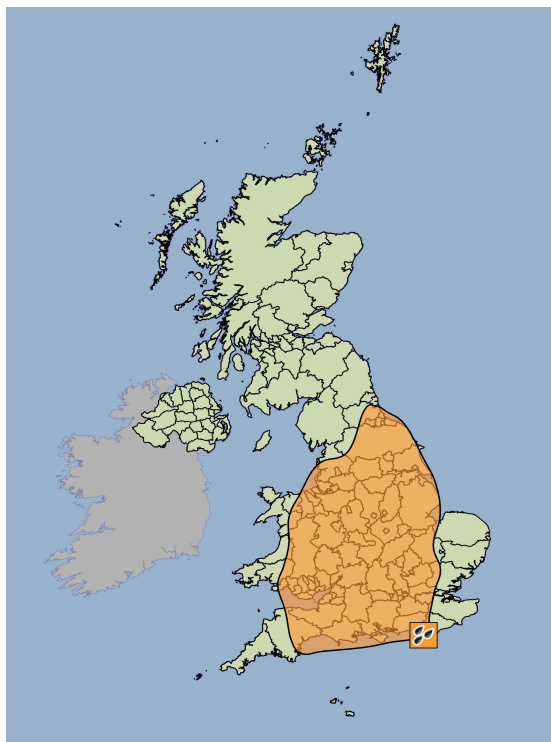




National Severe Weather Warning Service



Chief Forecasters Assessment

The very warm and humid airmass across the UK will become increasingly unstable on Friday night and through Saturday. This will lead to the development of areas of intense thunderstorms, these moving northwards across the UK and affecting different areas at various times through the day. In this situation, large amounts of energy are available in the atmosphere and this, coupled with high moisture content, can lead to torrential downpours along with frequent lightning activity, large hail and locally strong gusts. As is usually the case with thunderstorms, broad areas can be identified as at risk some time in advance but detail will remain very uncertain until very close to the event. Some areas will miss the worst of the storms whilst nearby spots experience severe downpours with some localised flooding, so the public are advised stay in touch with the latest forecasts and warnings through Saturday.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning of Rain**

Valid from **00:15 on Sat, 19th Jul 2014** until **23:45 on Sat, 19th Jul 2014**

Several areas of heavy, thundery showers will develop over England and Wales from Friday night before moving northwards during Saturday. Not everywhere within the warning area will see thunderstorms, and indeed some spells of warm sunshine are expected at times, but where thunderstorms do form, some torrential downpours are likely with frequent lightning, large hail and locally strong gusts. Significant flooding is possible where these do occur from surface water as well as from small, fast-responding watercourses.

The public should be prepared for the risk of disruption from any of these elements.

For more details please go to:

<http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings>

For enquiries regarding this warning please contact the Met Office Weather Desk

Phone: 0870 900 0100 Fax: 0870 900 5050

E-mail: enquiries@metoffice.gov.uk

© Crown copyright. Met Office

Issued by the Met Office at 11:23 on Fri, 18th Jul 2014

For enquiries regarding this warning please contact the Met Office Weather Desk
Phone: 0870 900 0100 Fax: 0870 900 5050 E-mail: enquiries@metoffice.gov.uk
© Crown copyright. Met Office

For the following areas

- East Midlands
 - Derby
 - Derbyshire
 - Leicester
 - Leicestershire
 - Lincolnshire
 - Northamptonshire
 - Nottingham
 - Nottinghamshire
 - Rutland
- East of England
 - Bedford
 - Cambridgeshire
 - Central Bedfordshire
 - Essex
 - Hertfordshire
 - Luton
 - Norfolk
 - Peterborough
- London & South East England
 - Bracknell Forest
 - Brighton and Hove
 - Buckinghamshire
 - East Sussex
 - Greater London
 - Hampshire
 - Isle of Wight
 - Kent
 - Milton Keynes
 - Oxfordshire
 - Portsmouth
 - Reading
 - Slough
 - Southampton
 - Surrey
 - West Berkshire
 - West Sussex
 - Windsor and Maidenhead
 - Wokingham
- North East England
 - Darlington
 - Durham
 - Hartlepool
 - Middlesbrough
 - Redcar and Cleveland
 - Stockton-on-Tees
 - Sunderland
- North West England
 - Blackburn with Darwen
 - Blackpool
 - Cheshire East
- Merseyside
- Warrington
- South West England
 - Bath and North East Somerset
 - Bournemouth
 - Bristol
 - Devon
 - Dorset
 - Gloucestershire
 - North Somerset
 - Poole
 - Somerset
 - South Gloucestershire
 - Swindon
 - Torbay
 - Wiltshire
- Wales
 - Blaenau Gwent
 - Bridgend
 - Caerphilly
 - Cardiff
 - Carmarthenshire
 - Ceredigion
 - Conwy
 - Denbighshire
 - Flintshire
 - Gwynedd
 - Merthyr Tydfil
 - Monmouthshire
 - Neath Port Talbot
 - Newport
 - Powys
 - Rhondda Cynon Taff
 - Swansea
 - Torfaen
 - Vale of Glamorgan
 - Wrexham
- West Midlands
 - Herefordshire
 - Shropshire
 - Staffordshire
 - Stoke-on-Trent
 - Telford and Wrekin
 - Warwickshire
 - West Midlands Conurbation
 - Worcestershire
- Yorkshire & Humber
 - East Riding of Yorkshire
 - Kingston upon Hull
 - North East Lincolnshire
 - North Lincolnshire

For enquiries regarding this warning please contact the Met Office Weather Desk

Phone: 0870 900 0100 Fax: 0870 900 5050 E-mail: enquiries@metoffice.gov.uk

© Crown copyright. Met Office

- Cheshire West and Chester
- Greater Manchester
- Halton
- Lancashire
- North Yorkshire
- South Yorkshire
- West Yorkshire
- York